MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Is it the opinion of the Government, or of the Revenue Commissioner that where there is a complete failure of crops for causes beyond the control of the ryots no remission need be granted under the rules framed by them?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is no necessity to make general rules for that purpose. If there is complete failure of crops under exceptional circumstances each application will be considered on its merits and necessary remission granted.

Revenue and expenditure in the Ambalapuzha taluk.

335. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the approximate amount of revenue from various sources that is being collected annually from the Ambalapuzha taluk; and

(*b*) the amount spent on public works in the taluk for the last five years?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) A taluk-war statement showing the revenue (including all items of revenue) and expenditure is not available.

(*b*) Rs. 1,00,334 for 1107 M. E.
" 1,44,143 " 1108 "
" 1,49,542 " 1109 "
" 2,03,310 " 1110 "
" 85,852 " 1111 "

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): With reference to the answer to part (*b*) of the question may I know the nature of the public works done in the taluk?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Improvement of roads and irrigation canals and other public works.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Was any new work started?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. K. M. KURIAKOSE (*Muvattupuzha II*): In view of the interest displayed by several members on this side of the House, may I know whether Government feel the necessity of getting a taluk-war statement of accounts of the various items of revenue?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVANIRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): There is practical difficulty in keeping taluk-war statements for all items of revenue. If it is a question of land revenue accounts the statements are already there. In regard to revenues under Excise, Customs, Stamps, Registration fees etc., it is impossible to keep taluk-war accounts.

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